GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
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Drinking Water as Fundamental Right
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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take any steps for the declaration that access to safe drinking water is a fundamental right of every citizen of the country and if so, the details thereof;
(b) the total number of rural habitations in the country and the number of them provided with safe drinking water facility, State/UT-wise; and
(c) whether the Government proposes to chalk out an action plan to achieve 100 percent coverage of habitations/villages in regard to safe drinking water by 2020 and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)
(a)No Madam.
(b)The State-wise details of total number of rural habitations in the country which are getting safe drinking water is at Annexure.
(c) Yes Madam. This Ministry has prepared a Strategic Plan for the rural drinking water sector for the period 2011-2022. The interim goal till 2017 is to cover 50% of all rural households with piped water supply and by 2022, the goal is to cover 90% of rural households with piped water supply .